

**SD Aeronautics Commission
Conference call
Meeting Minutes
December 22, 2015 @ 1:00 PM**

MEMBERS: Skip VanDerhule, Chairman
Arnie Hauge, Member
Eric Odenbach, Member
Chris Funk, Member

STAFF: Bruce Lindholm (via phone), Jason Engbrecht, Kellie Beck, and Tessa Wenner

OTHERS: Steve Hamilton, Zach Boyle

AGENDA ITEMS:

- Call to Order
- 1 Approve Minutes from September 22, 2015 meeting
- 2 2016 Airport License Approval
- 3 City of Miller Vegetation Rings
- 4 Tall Structure Applications
- 5 Discussion on SDSU Aviation Symposium Funding

Chairman VanDerhule called the regular meeting to order at 1:05 PM. A roll call was taken and a quorum was determined.

A motion was made by Hauge, second by Funk, to approve the September 22, 2015, Aeronautics Commission meeting minutes. A roll call was taken and all voted aye. Motion carried.

Jason Engbrecht – 2016 Airport License Approval

Jason Engbrecht led the discussion of the airports that would be approved for licenses for 2016. Groton will be the only airport not approved in 2016. Also, the members discussed how Bowdle airport is not relocating at this time.

A motion was made by Funk, second by Hauge, to approve public use licenses for the airports based on the list submitted by the Department of Transportation for 2016 with

the restrictions as noted and subject to the receipt of the airport's application. A roll call was taken and all voted aye. Motion carried.

Jason Engbrecht – City of Miller Vegetation Rings

The city of Miller, South Dakota, is requesting financial assistance to buy Evaring vegetation control rings to go around their new lights. The total cost will be \$8,000. The city is requesting to use their remaining fuel tax balance (\$3,491.91) and requests financial assistance from the Aeronautics Commission for the remaining balance (\$4,508.09). The Commission members agreed to an assistance amount capped at \$4,800.

A motion was made by Hauge, second by Odenbach, to approve providing financial assistance amount of \$4,800 to the city of Miller, South Dakota, for the purchase of Evaring vegetation control rings. A roll call was taken and all voted aye. Motion carried.

Jason Engbrecht – Tall Structure Applications

Verizon Wireless Permit Requests

Verizon Wireless is requesting 2 permits for antenna towers to be located in Harding County, South Dakota.

A motion was made by Funk, second by Odenbach, to approve the 2 permits with Verizon Wireless for the antenna towers in Harding County, South Dakota . A roll call was taken and all voted aye. Motion carried.

Aeronautics Hazard Application

Wind Quarry, LLC is requesting approval to construct 45 wind turbines on private land in southeast Butte County.

A motion was made by Funk, second by Odenbach, to approve of the construction of the 45 turbines by Wind Quarry, LLC to be located on private land in southeast Butte County. A roll call was taken and all voted aye. Motion carried.

Chris Funk- Discussion on SDSU Aviation Symposium Funding

Members discussed approving financial assistance for the 2016 SDSU Aviation Symposium.

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A motion was made by Odenbach, second by Funk, to approve providing financial assistance for the 2016 South Dakota State University Aviation Symposium in the amount of \$2,500. A roll call was taken and all voted aye. Motion carried.

Adjourn

A motion was made by Hauge to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried.

Next Aeronautics Commission Meeting will be January 26, 2016.

SUBMITTED BY: Tessa Wenner, SDDOT Secretary for Office of Air, Rail & Transit

AERONAUTICS COMMISSION CHAIRMAN: _____ DATE _____
Skip VanDerhule